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In re Application of

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please amend the claims as follows:

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Claim 5. (amended) A method as claimed in claim 2 [or 3],  
wherein said given sequence is a slice of an MPEG video  
signal.

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Claim 6. (amended) A method as claimed in claim 2 [or 3],  
wherein said given sequence is a transport packet of an  
MPEG transport stream.

Claim 7. (amended) A method as claimed in claim 2 [or 3],  
wherein said given sequence is the sequence of code words